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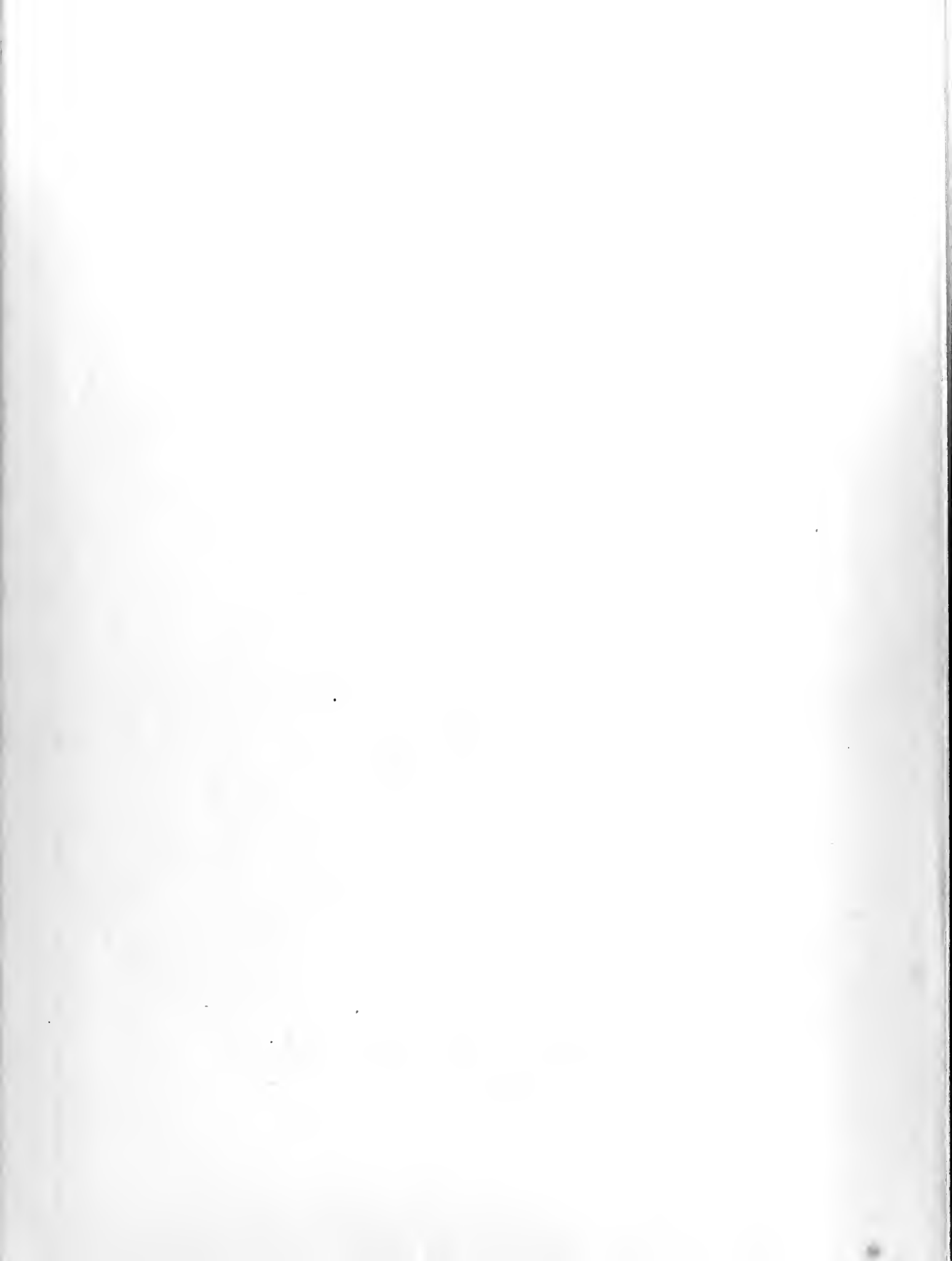
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## TABLE OF SYMBOLS

$b$	Width of section at neutral axis
$c$	Distance from neutral axis to outermost fiber
$d$	Diameter
$E$	Modulus of elasticity
$\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \epsilon_3$	Principal strains
$I$	Moment of inertia
$I_p$	Polar moment of inertia of cross section
$K$	Theoretical stress concentration factor
$k$	Fatigue stress concentration factor
$M$	Bending moment
$M_t$	Torque
$p$	Uniform Tension
$Q$	First Moment of the area about neutral axis
$q$	Sensitivity index
$r$	Radii

Table 1

Radius	r
Sensitivity index	q
First Moment of the area about neutral axis	Q
Uniform Tension	p
Torque	M <sub>t</sub>
Bending moment	M
Fatigue stress concentration factor	K <sub>f</sub>
Theoretical stress concentration factor	K
Polar moment of inertia of cross section	I <sub>p</sub>
Moment of inertia	I
Principal stresses	σ <sub>1</sub> , σ <sub>2</sub> , σ <sub>3</sub>
Modulus of elasticity	E
Diameter	d
Distance from neutral axis to outermost fiber	c
Length of section of interest	L



$U$	Strain energy per unit volume
$V$	Shear Force
$V_0$	Distortion energy per unit volume
$\alpha$	Equivalent stress
$\theta$	Phase angle
$\mu$	Poisson's ratio
$\bar{\sigma}$	Mean normal stress
$\sigma_v$	Variable normal stress
$\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$	Principal stresses
$\bar{\sigma}_m$	Mean stress
$\bar{\sigma}_{max}$	Maximum stress
$\bar{\sigma}_{min}$	Minimum stress
$\sigma_e$	Endurance or fatigue limit
$\sigma_{yp}$	Yield point stress
$\sigma_u$	Ultimate tensile stress
$\sigma_1', \sigma_2', \sigma_3'$	Principal stresses, maximum value
$\sigma_1'', \sigma_2'', \sigma_3''$	Principal stresses, mean value

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$T$  Mean shear stress

$T_v$  Variable shear stress

$T_{oct}$  Octahedral shearing stress

$T_s$  Shearing stress

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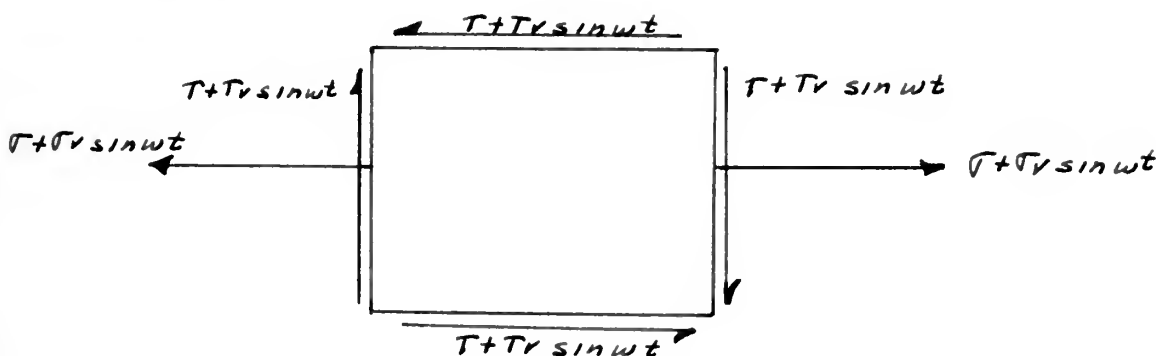
CHAPTER I  
INTRODUCTION

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The treatment is divided into two parts: first, an investigation of the problems solely from the standpoint of stress; second, a discussion of the effects of stress concentration, hardness of material, and surface treatment in the determination of working stress.

The treatment will be restricted in that:

1. Only axial and shear stresses will be considered, as shown for an element in the diagram below.
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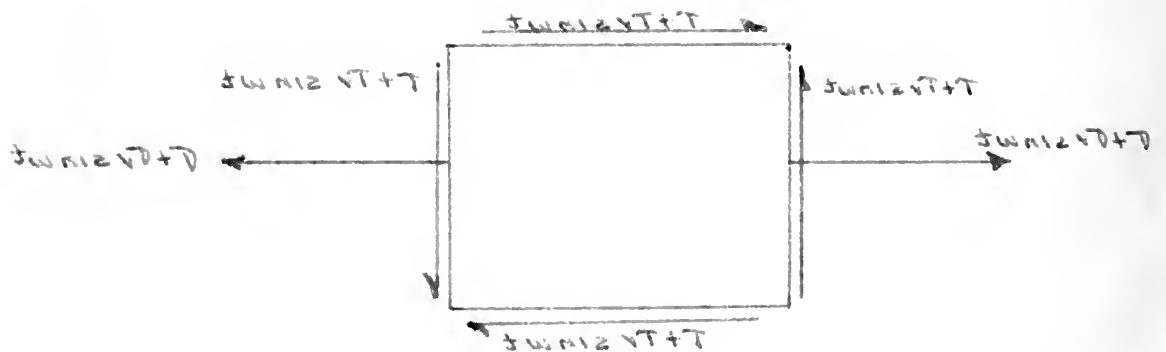
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(a) Axial stress varying between maximum and minimum values while the shear stress remains constant.

(b) Axial stress and shear stress varying between maximum and minimum values of different magnitudes and in phase.

Note that the axial and shear stresses can be computed using the standard formulas:  $\frac{Mc}{I}$ ,  $\frac{P}{A}$ ,  $\frac{Mc}{I_p}$ ,  $\frac{VQ}{Ib}$ .

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using the standard formula:  $\frac{1}{I} = \frac{1}{I_0} + \frac{1}{I_1} + \frac{1}{I_2} + \dots$



## CHAPTER II

### THEORIES OF FAILURE

For the case of static stresses, the allowable stress can be determined in terms of the principal stresses using one of the theories of failure. In discussing the various theories, only those which are in near agreement with actual tests will be presented as they not only predict with more accuracy failure from static combined stresses, but also failure due to fluctuating stresses. Failure is defined as the beginning of inelastic action (yielding).

The treatment of the theories of failure will consider the most general case, that is, the stress condition of an element of a body is defined by the magnitudes of the principal stresses  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$  and  $\sigma_3$ . For convenience, we presume  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \sigma_3$ .

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of the largest and smallest principal stresses. Based on this assumption, Guest later formulated the maximum shear theory. By this theory, failure occurs when the maximum shear stress in an element subjected to combined stresses reaches the value of the maximum shear stress at failure in simple tension.

It may be shown that the extreme shearing stress occurs on planes bisecting the dihedral angles between the principal planes. The magnitudes are

$$\frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2}, \frac{\sigma_2 - \sigma_3}{2}, \text{ and } \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2}$$

Because of the convention adopted above, the greatest shearing stress is  $\tau = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2}$

Since from the limiting case of simple tension or compression, the maximum shear stress becomes,  $\tau = \sigma/2$ . The maximum shear theory predicts failure will occur when  $(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)/2$  becomes equal to the shear at failure in simple tension, or

$$\sigma_1 - \sigma_3 = \sigma$$

The Maximum Strain Energy Theory, as suggested by Beltrami, later formulated by Huber, and still later again by Haigh, predicts that failure is based on the concept of energy of deformation. It assumes that failure results when the total strain energy of deformation per unit volume, in the case of combined stresses, is equal to the strain energy per unit volume in simple tension. For gradually applied loads, the strain energy per unit volume is

$$U = \frac{\sigma_1 e_1}{2} + \frac{\sigma_2 e_2}{2} + \frac{\sigma_3 e_3}{2}$$

where  $e_1$ ,  $e_2$ , and  $e_3$  are the principal strains. On substituting the values for strains in terms of principal stresses, the strain

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here E is the modulus of elasticity and  $\mu$  is Poisson's ratio.

Since at the beginning of elastic failure in simple tension, the unit strain is  $\sigma_1/E$ , the strain energy for simple tension becomes  $\sigma_1^2/2E$ . The theory then predicts that failure will occur when

$$U = \frac{1}{2E} [\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - 2\mu (\sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2\sigma_3 + \sigma_3\sigma_1)] = \frac{\sigma_1^2}{2E}$$

The Maximum Distortion Energy Theory was developed by Von Mises and Hencky. It assumes that failure begins in the case of combined stress when the energy of distortion or shear approaches the same energy at failure as in the case of simple tension. In the development of this theory, it is considered that the total strain energy (U) is divided into two parts: the energy to produce a change in volume and the energy used to distort the element. Only the second part is used in the development of this theory. The theory was brought about by the fact that isotropic materials can endure large hydrostatic pressures without yielding. To develop the theory, we first divide the principal stresses in two parts

$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_1' + p, \quad \sigma_2 = \sigma_2' + p, \quad \sigma_3 = \sigma_3' + p$$

where

$$p = \frac{1}{3} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)$$

Since from this theory

$$\sigma_1' + \sigma_2' + \sigma_3' = 0$$

the stress condition  $\sigma_1', \sigma_2', \sigma_3'$ , produces only distortion and the change in volume depends entirely on the magnitude of the uniform tension (p), the part of the total energy due to a change in volume is

$$\frac{ep}{2} = \frac{3(1-2\mu)p^2}{2E} = \frac{1-2\mu}{6E} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)^2$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \sigma \epsilon$$

Since the energy of distortion is in the material, the energy for simple tension becomes  $U = \frac{1}{2} \sigma \epsilon$ . The theory now predicts that failure will occur when  $U = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_f \epsilon_f$ .

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where

$$p = \frac{1}{3}(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)$$

Since from this theory

$$\sigma_1 - \sigma_2 = \sigma_2 - \sigma_3 = \sigma_3 - \sigma_1$$

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$$\frac{U}{V} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2}{E} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)^2}{3E}$$

where  $e = e_1 + e_2 + e_3$ . Subtracting the total energy due to a change in volume from the total strain energy as determined and using the identity

$$\sigma_1 \sigma_2 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3 + \sigma_3 \sigma_1 = -\frac{1}{2} [(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2] + \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2$$

the part of the total strain energy due to distortion can be presented in the form

$$V = U - \frac{1-2\mu}{E} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)^2 = \frac{1+\mu}{6E} [(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2]$$

The distortion energy at failure in simple tension is obtained by placing  $\sigma_2 = \sigma_3 = 0$  and  $\sigma_1 = \sigma$  or

$$V = \frac{(1+\mu)}{3E} \sigma^2$$

For combined stress, we then have

$$V = \frac{1}{2} [(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2] = \sigma^2$$

It is of interest to note that the expression within the brackets namely,

$$(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)^2$$

is proportional to the square of the shearing stress on an octahedral plane (planes whose normals have direction cosines  $\pm 1/\sqrt{3}$  with respect to the principal directions.)

Since the expression for the octahedral shearing stress is

$$\tau_{oct} = \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)^2}$$

the condition for failure may be expressed as

$$\tau_{oct} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \sigma$$

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$$U = \frac{1}{2} \int_V (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - \frac{2}{3} \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3) dV$$

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$$\tau_{oct} = \tau_{oct}^f$$



## CHAPTER III

### SIMPLE FATIGUE STRESS

With the static criteria of failure established, a discussion of the manner in which an expression is determined for failure of materials subjected to simple axial fatigue stress is next presented, since both concepts are used in the development of theories of failure for materials subjected to combined fatigue stress.

For simple axial fatigue stress, the variation of stress with time is usually sinusoidal. It may be represented as in Figure 1 (see separate sheet), and expressed as:

$$\sigma = \sigma_m + \sigma_v \sin \omega t$$

The representation further shows that the values of the mean stress  $\sigma_m$  and the variable stress  $\sigma_v$  are

$$\sigma_m = \frac{\sigma_{max} + \sigma_{min}}{2} \quad , \quad \sigma_v = \frac{\sigma_{max} - \sigma_{min}}{2}$$

The stress is thus conveniently thought of as consisting of two parts: a reversed stress superimposed on a steady, or static, stress.

With this in mind, two limiting conditions of stress at failure are possible. For the first condition,  $\sigma_v = 0$ , the stress is entirely static and failure occurs when  $\sigma_v = \sigma_{yp}$  (the yield point in simple tension or compression). For the second condition,  $\sigma_m = 0$ , failure results from complete reversal of stress repeated a large number of times. From this type of failure, the endurance limit or fatigue limit  $\sigma_e$  of a material is obtained.

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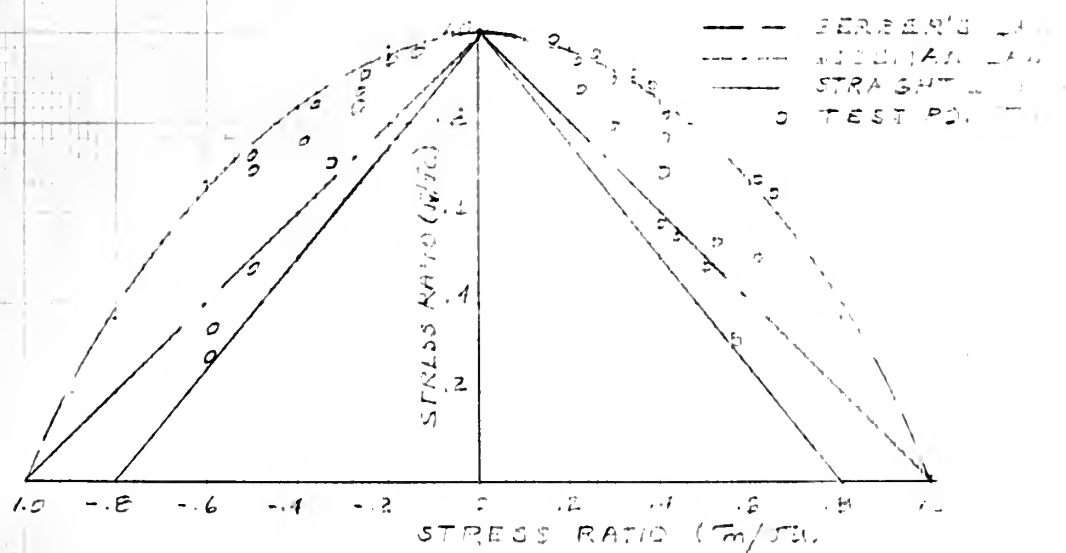
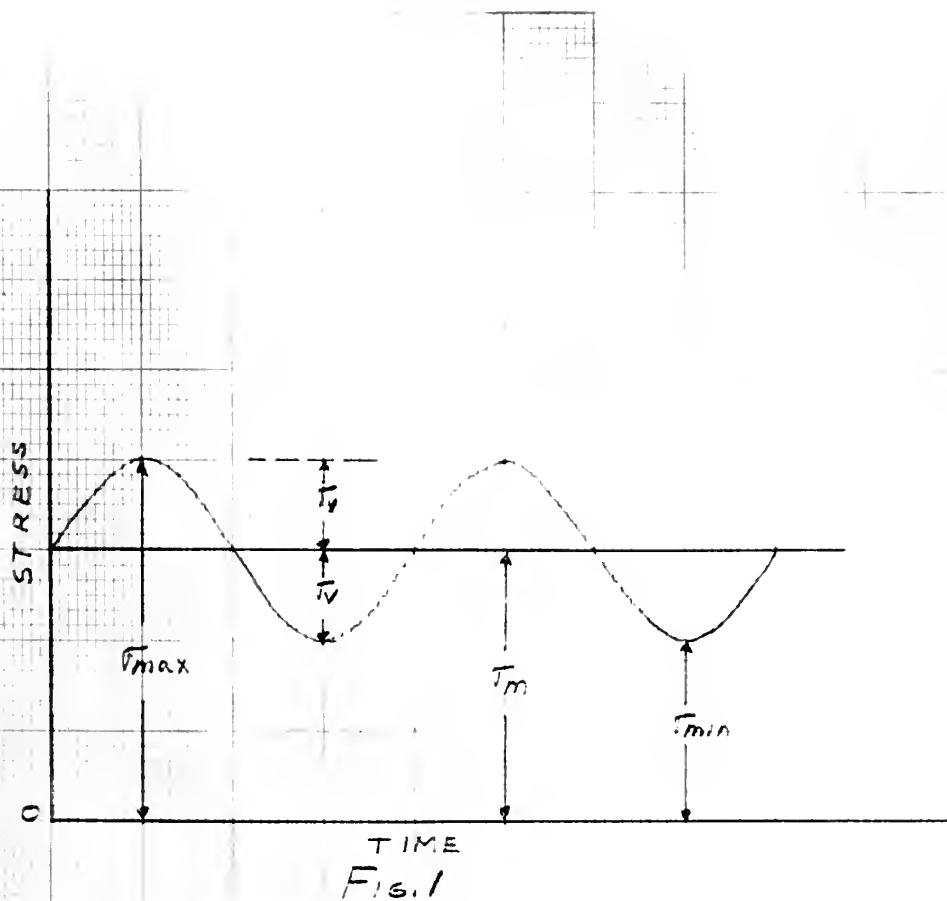
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The endurance limit is considered to be the maximum stress which a member can sustain for an indefinitely large number of cycles (usually taken as at least 10 million cycles for ferrous materials and about 50 million cycles for non-ferrous materials). Fatigue limits have been determined for various types of simple stresses such as alternating tension and compression, bending, and torsion for most of the materials in use today. It is of interest to note that the value of  $\sigma_e$ , as determined from tests of materials, Timoshewko (2), Moore and Koomers (3), is appreciably less than the value of  $\sigma_{yp}$  for the same material, thus the resisting strength of materials is reduced under the conditions of variable stress.

Since most problems present conditions intermediate between these extremes, it is necessary to consider all possible combinations of maximum and minimum stress or, more properly, it is necessary to consider the effect of mean stress on fatigue strength. A great deal of information can be obtained for variable axial stress and a typical diagram (Figure 2, see separate sheet) shows endurance limit ratios for a number of combinations of axial fluctuating stress, ( $\sigma_u$  is the ultimate tensile stress.)

Various attempts have been made to interpret such tests. The methods used reduce to empirical equations giving relations between the variable and mean stresses or the maximum stresses at failure. Of the various proposals, three are most used in design and are presented as follows:

GERBER'S LAW - Gerber's law is an empirical relationship which assumes that the relation for defining the variation of the variable stress with mean stress is of the parabolic form,

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or, in terms of the variable and mean stresses,

$$\sigma_v = \sigma_e - \sigma_e (\sigma_m / \sigma_u)^2$$

GOODMAN LAW - The Goodman Law is an empirical law which assumes that the relation defining failure for different combinations of variable stress and mean stresses is a straight line between the end points  $\sigma_v / \sigma_e$  and  $\sigma_m / \sigma_u$ . The equation for this straight line is

$$\sigma_v / \sigma_e = 1 - \sigma_m / \sigma_u$$

or, in terms of the variable and mean components,

$$\sigma_v = \sigma_e - (\sigma_m / \sigma_u) \sigma_e$$

STRAIGHT LINE LAW - The Straight Line Law proposed by Soderberg (4) assumes that this relation is defined by a straight line between the end points  $\sigma_v / \sigma_e$  and  $\sigma_{yp} / \sigma_m$

The empirical relation is

$$\sigma_v / \sigma_e = 1 - \sigma_m / \sigma_{yp}$$

or, in a form which will be later used

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STRAIGHT LINE LAW - The Straight Line Law proposed by

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## CHAPTER IV

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The treatment of the theories of failure will consider the most general case as well as the case under consideration with one restriction, that is, only the case under consideration will be considered for the Shear Theory. For the general case, stress conditions on an elemental body are defined by the principal stresses  $\sigma_1', \sigma_2', \sigma_3'$  and  $\sigma_1'', \sigma_2'', \sigma_3''$  where the prime and double prime notation refer to the maximum and mean values of principal stress, respectively. The notation is similar to that used by Marin (5).

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The conversion can be accomplished by replacing  $T_{max}$  and  $T_m$  by  $T_{max} = T_{max}/2$  and  $T_m = T_m/2$  giving the equation

$$T_{max} = (1 - \tau_c/\sigma_{yp}) T_m + \tau_c/2 \quad (a)$$

Since for this theory only normal and shearing stresses will be considered, it is necessary in defining failure to consider the shear stress  $T_s$  on any plane as shown for the element in question, Figure 3.

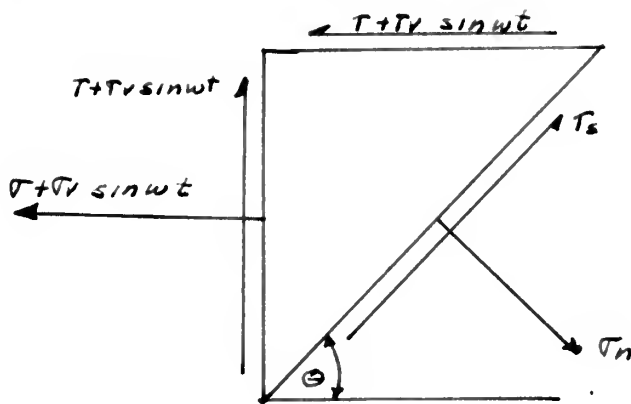


FIG. 3

For this particular plane, the maximum and mean components of shear stress are

$$T_{max} = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma + \sigma_r) \sin 2\theta + (T + T_r) \cos 2\theta$$

$$T_m = \frac{1}{2} \sigma \sin 2\theta + T \cos 2\theta$$

Failure for the plane, by the shear theory will occur when the above value of  $T_{max}$  and  $T_m$  satisfy Eq. a.

Therefore,

$$[\sigma + \sigma_r - \sigma(1 - \tau_c/\sigma_{yp})] \sin 2\theta = 2[(1 - \tau_c/\sigma_{yp})T - (T + T_r)] \cos 2\theta + \tau_c$$

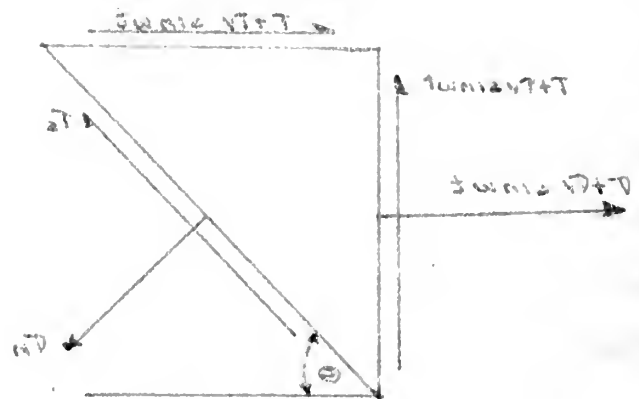


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For this particular plane, the maximum and mean components

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$$T_{max} = \frac{1}{2} (T+Tx) \sin 2\theta + (T+Ty) \cos 2\theta$$

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To determine the critical plane on which failure occurs, the above equation can be written in terms of an equivalent stress  $\alpha$  on any plane such that

$$\alpha = \left[ (\sigma + \sigma_v) - \sigma \left( 1 - \tau_c / \sigma_{yp} \right) \right] \sin 2\theta - 2 \left[ \left( 1 - \tau_c / \sigma_{yp} \right) \tau - (\tau + \tau_v) \right] \cos 2\theta - \tau_c$$

To find the most critical plane  $\alpha$  should be a maximum. The maximum value of  $\alpha$  occurs when

$$\tan 2\theta = \frac{(1 - \tau_c / \sigma_{yp}) \tau - (\sigma + \sigma_v)}{2 \left[ (\sigma + \sigma_v) - (1 - \tau_c / \sigma_{yp}) \tau \right]}$$

On substituting the value of  $\theta$  into Eq. (b) and combining terms, failure by the stress theory is expressed as

$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{\left[ (\tau_c / \sigma_{yp}) \tau + \sigma_v \right]^2 + 4 \left[ (\tau_c / \sigma_{yp}) \tau + \tau_v \right]^2}$$

DISTORTION ENERGY THEORY - The assumption to be made in the case of this theory is that failure occurs in the case of combined stresses when the distortion energy corresponding to the maximum value of stress components equals the distortion energy at failure for maximum axial stress. It is also necessary to require that this applies for equal values of distortion energy corresponding to the mean axial and mean combined stresses. To arrive at the above condition, it is necessary to define the fluctuating axial stress in terms of distortion energy, and use the relation as determined from the derivation of combined static stress. The distortion energy at any instant of time for simple axial stress as determined previously is

$$V = \left( \frac{1+\mu}{3E} \right) \sigma^2$$

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From this equation, the values of distortion energy corresponding to the maximum and mean values of fluctuating stress are

$$V_{max} = \left( \frac{1+\mu}{3E} \right) (\bar{\sigma}_{max})^2, \quad V_m = \left( \frac{1+\mu}{3E} \right) \bar{\sigma}_m^2$$

Since our equation for failure is

$$\bar{\sigma}_{max} = (1 - \sigma_e / \sigma_{yp}) \bar{\sigma}_m + \sigma_e$$

failure in terms of distortion energies can now be expressed as

$$\sqrt{V_{max}} = (1 - \sigma_e / \sigma_{yp}) \sqrt{V_m} + \left( \sqrt{\frac{1+\mu}{3E}} \right) \sigma_e$$

To get some general relations, the three dimensional case will again be considered since it was determined under theories of failure that distortion energy in terms of static principal stresses is

$$V = \left( \frac{1+\mu}{3E} \right) \left[ \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - (\sigma_1 \sigma_2 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3 + \sigma_1 \sigma_3) \right]$$

This generalization would give values for distortion energies corresponding to the maximum and mean components of stresses as

$$V_{max} = \left( \frac{1+\mu}{3E} \right) \left[ (\sigma_1')^2 + (\sigma_2')^2 + (\sigma_3')^2 - (\sigma_1' \sigma_2' + \sigma_2' \sigma_3' + \sigma_1' \sigma_3') \right]$$

$$V_m = \left( \frac{1+\mu}{3E} \right) \left[ (\sigma_1'')^2 + (\sigma_2'')^2 + (\sigma_3'')^2 - (\sigma_1'' \sigma_2'' + \sigma_2'' \sigma_3'' + \sigma_1'' \sigma_3'') \right]$$

Failure by the distortion energy theory is now defined by substituting these expressions into the failure relation such that

$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{(\sigma_1')^2 + (\sigma_2')^2 + (\sigma_3')^2 - (\sigma_1' \sigma_2' + \sigma_2' \sigma_3' + \sigma_1' \sigma_3')} - (1 - \sigma_e / \sigma_{yp}) \sqrt{(\sigma_1'')^2 + (\sigma_2'')^2 + (\sigma_3'')^2 - (\sigma_1'' \sigma_2'' + \sigma_2'' \sigma_3'' + \sigma_1'' \sigma_3'')}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 - \sigma_2\sigma_3 - \sigma_3\sigma_1)} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2)}$$

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This generalization would give values for distortion energies corresponding to the maximum and mean components of stresses as

$$\begin{aligned} V_{max} &= \left( \frac{1+\mu}{3E} \right) \left[ (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 - \sigma_2\sigma_3 - \sigma_3\sigma_1) \right] \\ V_m &= \left( \frac{1+\mu}{3E} \right) \left[ (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 - \sigma_2\sigma_3 - \sigma_3\sigma_1) \right] \end{aligned}$$

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For the two dimensional case in which the combined stresses are the principal stresses, the distortion energy theory predicts (or letting  $\sigma_3' = \sigma_3'' = 0$ )

$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{(\sigma_1')^2 + (\sigma_2')^2 - (\sigma_1'\sigma_2')} - (1 - \sigma_e/\sigma_{yp}) \sqrt{(\sigma_1'')^2 + (\sigma_2'')^2 - \sigma_1''\sigma_2''}$$

To express this theory for the two dimensional stress components of Figure 3, it is only necessary to express the principal stresses in the above equations in terms of stress components. The substitution gives

$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{(\sigma + \tau_v)^2 + 3(\tau + \tau_v)^2} + (1 - \sigma_e/\sigma_{yp}) \sqrt{\sigma^2 + 3\tau^2}$$

STRAIN ENERGY THEORY - Using the assumption that failure occurs as a result of total strain energy rather than distortion energy, another theory of failure can be developed. Since the manner of developing this theory is similar to that used for the distortion energy theory, the three dimensional case for strain energy may be expressed as:

$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{(\sigma_1')^2 + (\sigma_2')^2 + (\sigma_3')^2 - 2\mu(\sigma_1'\sigma_2' + \sigma_2'\sigma_3' + \sigma_1'\sigma_3')} - (1 - \sigma_e/\sigma_{yp}) \sqrt{(\sigma_1'')^2 + (\sigma_2'')^2 + (\sigma_3'')^2 - 2\mu(\sigma_1''\sigma_2'' + \sigma_2''\sigma_3'' + \sigma_1''\sigma_3'')}$$

or in the two dimensional case where  $\sigma_3' = \sigma_3'' = 0$

$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{(\sigma_1')^2 + (\sigma_2')^2 + 2\mu(\sigma_1'\sigma_2')} - (1 - \sigma_e/\sigma_{yp}) \sqrt{(\sigma_1'')^2 + (\sigma_2'')^2 + 2\mu\sigma_1''\sigma_2''}$$

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To express this in terms of the principal stresses of Figure 8.2.2, it is necessary to express the principal stresses in the above equation in terms of stress components.

The substitution gives

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{1}{3}(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3) + \frac{1}{3}(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2) + \frac{1}{3}(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)$$

### STRAIN ENERGY THEORY - Using the assumption that failure

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$$U = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2) - \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2\sigma_3 + \sigma_3\sigma_1)$$

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or in the two dimensional case where  $\sigma_3 = 0$

$$U = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2) - \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1\sigma_2)$$

This equation may be used in applications where the normal stresses rather than the principal stresses are known. For such cases, it is only necessary to substitute for the values of principal stresses in terms of components in Figure 3 to conform with the stated problem. Making this substitution, the equation becomes:

$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{(\sigma + \sigma_v)^2 + 2(1+\mu)(\tau + \tau_v)^2} - (1 - \sigma_e/\sigma_{yp}) \sqrt{\sigma^2 + 2(1+\mu)\tau^2}$$

To summarize the above results, the equations for failure as depicted for the first two cases will be given in order to better compare them with test data,

Case (a) - Axial stress varying between maximum and minimum values while the shear stress remains constant. Failure will be predicted according to the theories as follows:

Shear Theory 
$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{(\sigma_e/\sigma_{yp}\sigma + \sigma_v)^2 + 4(\sigma_e/\sigma_{yp})(\tau^2)}$$

Distortion Energy Theory 
$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{(\sigma + \sigma_v)^2 + 3\tau^2} - (1 - \sigma_e/\sigma_{yp})\sqrt{\sigma^2 + 3\tau^2}$$

Strain Energy Theory 
$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{(\sigma + \sigma_v)^2 + 2(1+\mu)\tau^2} - (1 - \sigma_e/\sigma_{yp})\sqrt{\sigma^2 + 2(1+\mu)\tau^2}$$

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$$\text{Distortion Energy Theory } \sigma_c = \sqrt{(\tau + \tau_c)^2 + 3\tau_c \tau} - (1 - \tau_c/\tau_c) \tau_c$$

$$\text{Shear Theory } \tau_c = \sqrt{(\tau_c/\tau_c)^2 + (\tau_c/\tau_c)^2} \tau_c$$

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Since three different theories have been presented and appear justified for design, the next important question to be answered is: which of the three theories should be used in the design of shafting? In order to answer this question, it is necessary to rely on experimental test data, of which there is little for the problem under discussion.

To date, it appears that for ductile materials, the distortion energy theory more closely approaches test data than the maximum shear theory or strain energy theory. This is indicated by tests in fluctuating bending and torsion with complete stress reversals made by Gough and interpreted by Marin (6), Figure 4. In the plot of the test data  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  are the principal stresses and  $\sigma_e$  the endurance limit for simple tension and compression. The stress ratios  $\sigma_1 / \sigma_e$  and  $\sigma_2 / \sigma_e$  at which failure occurs under combined bending and torsion are indicated by small circles and dots. Experiments by Lea and Budgen, Figure 5 and Figure 6, were made on circular specimens subjected to static torque and completely reversed bending stress. Here again, it is of interest to note that the distortion energy theory more closely approaches test data than do the other theories.

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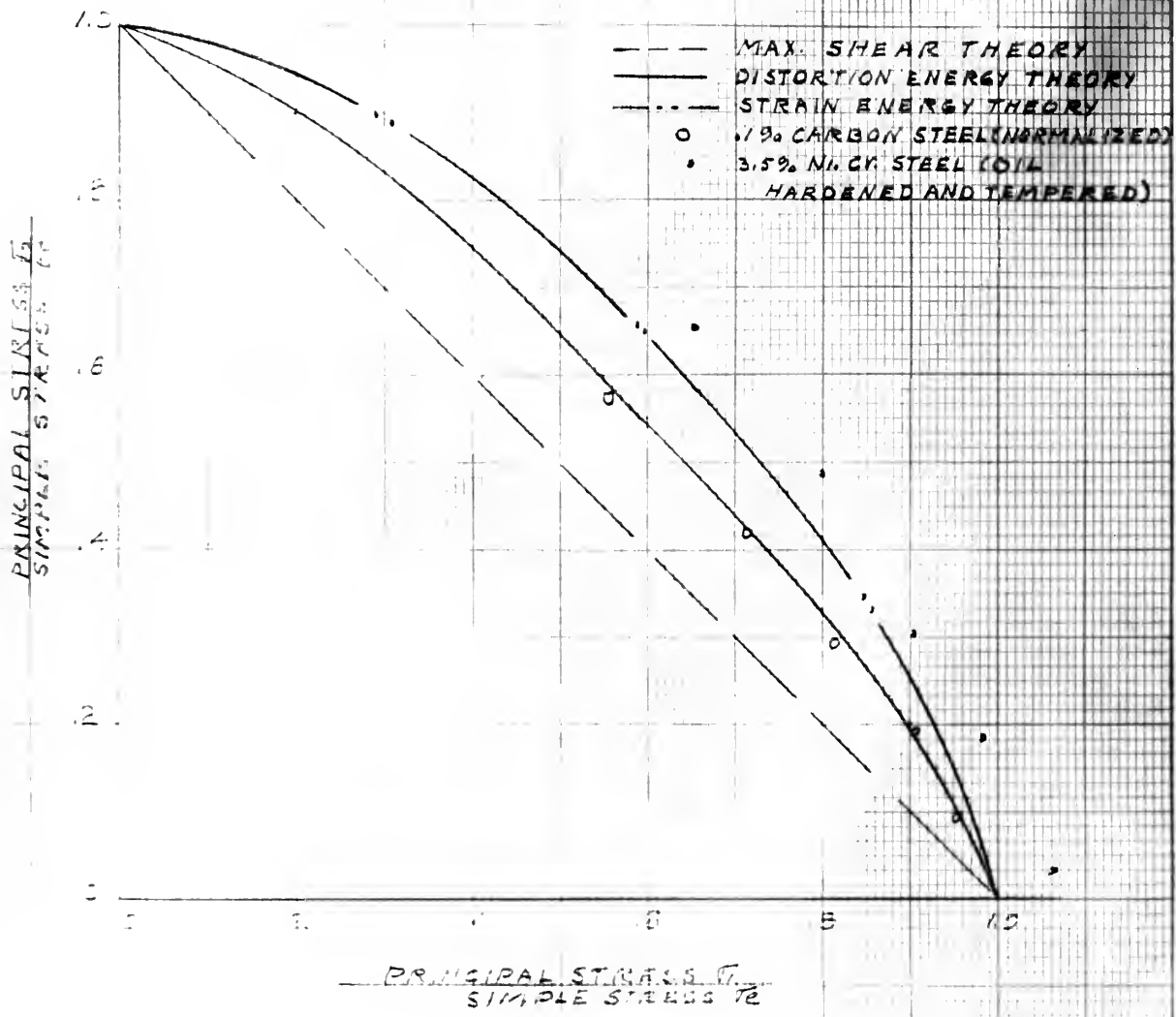
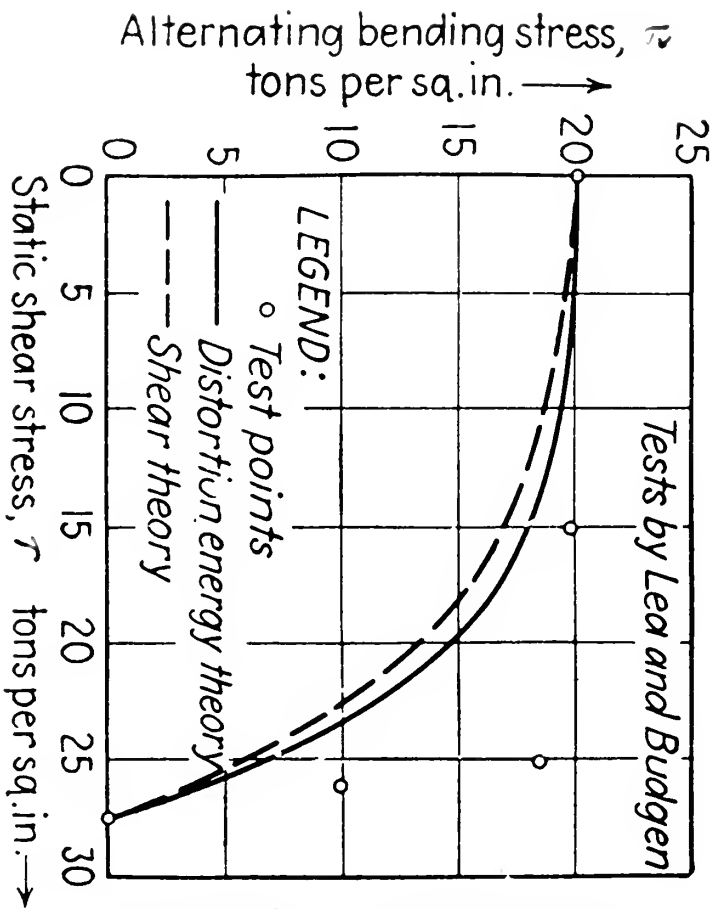


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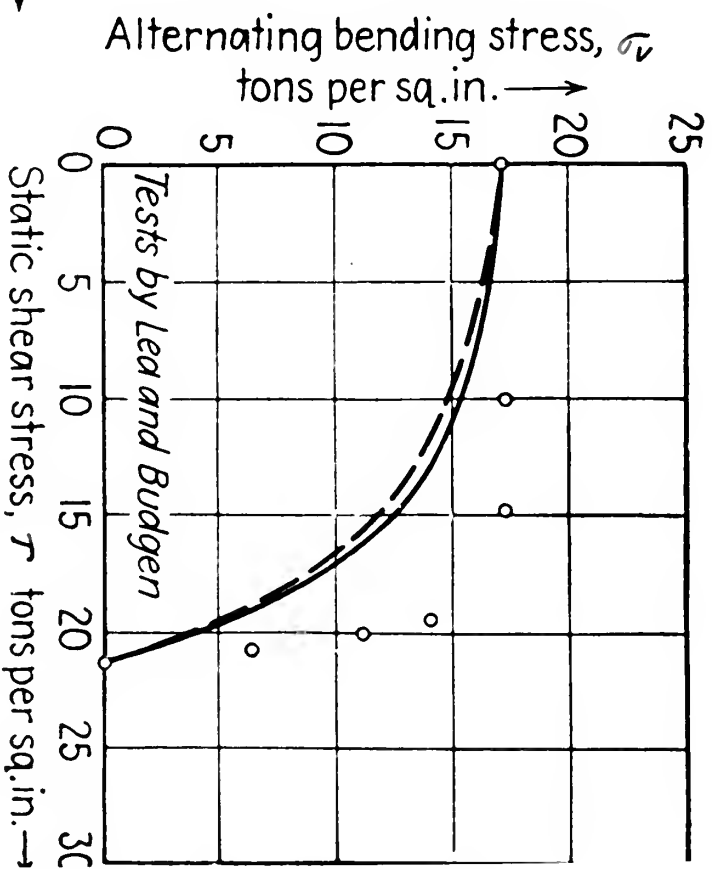






(a)

Tests on Ni-Cr steel  
(0.35% C, 0.6% Cr, 3.25% Ni)



(b)

Tests on "mild" steel  
(0.14% carbon)

Fig. 5-6 - Combined fatigue-stress results for ductile metals.



Of interest at the present time are experiments conducted by Gough (7) which more closely approximate conditions set forth in the problem under discussion. His work consisted of determining an empirical equation for variable bending and torsion of different magnitudes in phase. The empirical expression (in terms of the problem under discussion) Gough presented for failure is:

$$(\tau_v/\tau_e)^2 + (\tau_v/\tau_e)^2 (\tau_e/\tau_e - 1) + \tau_v/\tau_e (2 - \tau_e/\tau_e) = 1$$

Where  $\tau_e$  is the endurance limit in pure bending,  $\tau_e$  is the endurance limit in shear. As this equation is only developed for one material, it is of little assistance in present design, but indicates that research is underway to endeavor to determine a more exact expression for failure under condition of combined fatigue stress.

Since some basis for calculation of allowable stress under the assumed conditions has been established by the development of theories, to avoid failure in actual design, the stress imposed on shafting by operating loads must be less than this stress. To determine the relationship between the allowable stress, or working stress, in place of the stress components at failure, the axial stress at failure  $\tau_e$  is replaced by its working stress value  $\tau_e/h$  where  $h$  is the factor of safety.

The problem of choosing an adequate factor of safety in design is influenced by many factors. Some of these factors are:

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$$\left( \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_s} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\tau}{\tau_s} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_s} \right) \left( \frac{\tau}{\tau_s} \right) = 1$$

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3. Machinery and fabrication errors;

4. Time effect, that is, no allowance is made in the determination of working stress for the deterioration of material with time due to corrosion, creep, electrolytic action, etc.;

5. Loads are rarely known accurately.

In consideration of these factors, it can be realized that the factor of safety must be greater than one (1), that is, the design must be overbalanced in favor of strength. Factors of safety are generally based on judgment and experience of the designer. For shafting, for example, the factor of safety has been judged to be between 2.25 and 3.00.

Since the method of determining the working stress has been considered, the equations defining failure by the various theories can be obtained. For comparison with static states of stress, both sides of the equation will be multiplied by  $\sigma_{yp}/\sigma_c$  such that working stresses defined by the various theories are:

Shear Theory

$$\sigma_w = \frac{\sigma_{yp}}{n} = \sigma_{yp}/\sigma_c \left[ \frac{(\sigma_c/\sigma_{yp} \sigma + \tau_v)^2 + 4(\tau \sigma_c/\sigma_{yp} + \tau_v)^2}{2} \right]$$

Distortion Energy Theory

$$\sigma_w = \frac{\sigma_{yp}}{n} = \sigma_{yp}/\sigma_c \left[ \frac{(\sigma + \sigma_v)^2 + 3(\tau + \tau_v)^2}{2} - (1 - \sigma_c/\sigma_{yp}) \sqrt{\sigma^2 + 3\tau^2} \right]$$

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Distortion Energy Theory

$$\left[ \frac{e^{(\pi)E+T}}{(qrd)^{ST-1}} - \frac{e^{(\pi+T)E+T}}{(rd+T)} \right] \frac{ST}{qrd} = \frac{qrd}{2} = \omega d$$

Stalin Energy Project

$$\frac{[(T)(n+1)\epsilon + D](qT)(\sigma - 1) - [(T+T)(n+1)\epsilon + (T+T)]}{2(qT)} = \frac{qT}{2} = \omega D$$

## CHAPTER 7

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The one factor that makes this possible is that for static loading tests, the relationship between hardness and tensile strength, reference (11), is represented by a band that includes test data on alloys as well as plain carbon steels. The band width for all practical purposes can be considered negligible. That is, hardness may be considered proportional to the tensile strength.

In the case of endurance tests, the relationship between endurance limit and hardness was further complicated by the fact that tests showed that endurance limit did not only depend on hardness, but is also a function of the quality of the surface. For example, Hankins, Becker, and Mills (12), indicated that the variation in endurance limit between specimens finished with fine and coarse emery paper was 3% for a steel of 118,000  $\mu s$ , tensile strength and 11% for a steel of 138,000  $\mu s$ , tensile strength; and Hager (13) found no difference in endurance limit between rough and finished machined specimens of soft steel, the endurance limit of both being 10% less than for polished specimens. From a group of such tests (considering the fact that tensile strength is approximately proportional to hardness), Lipson, Noll, and Clock (9) devised a set of curves, Figure 8, showing the variation of endurance limit with hardness for materials whose surface conditions are in four groups; ground, machined, hot rolled, and forged. The ground surface finish includes ground, *boned*, lapped, and super-finished, and the machined surface finish includes rough and

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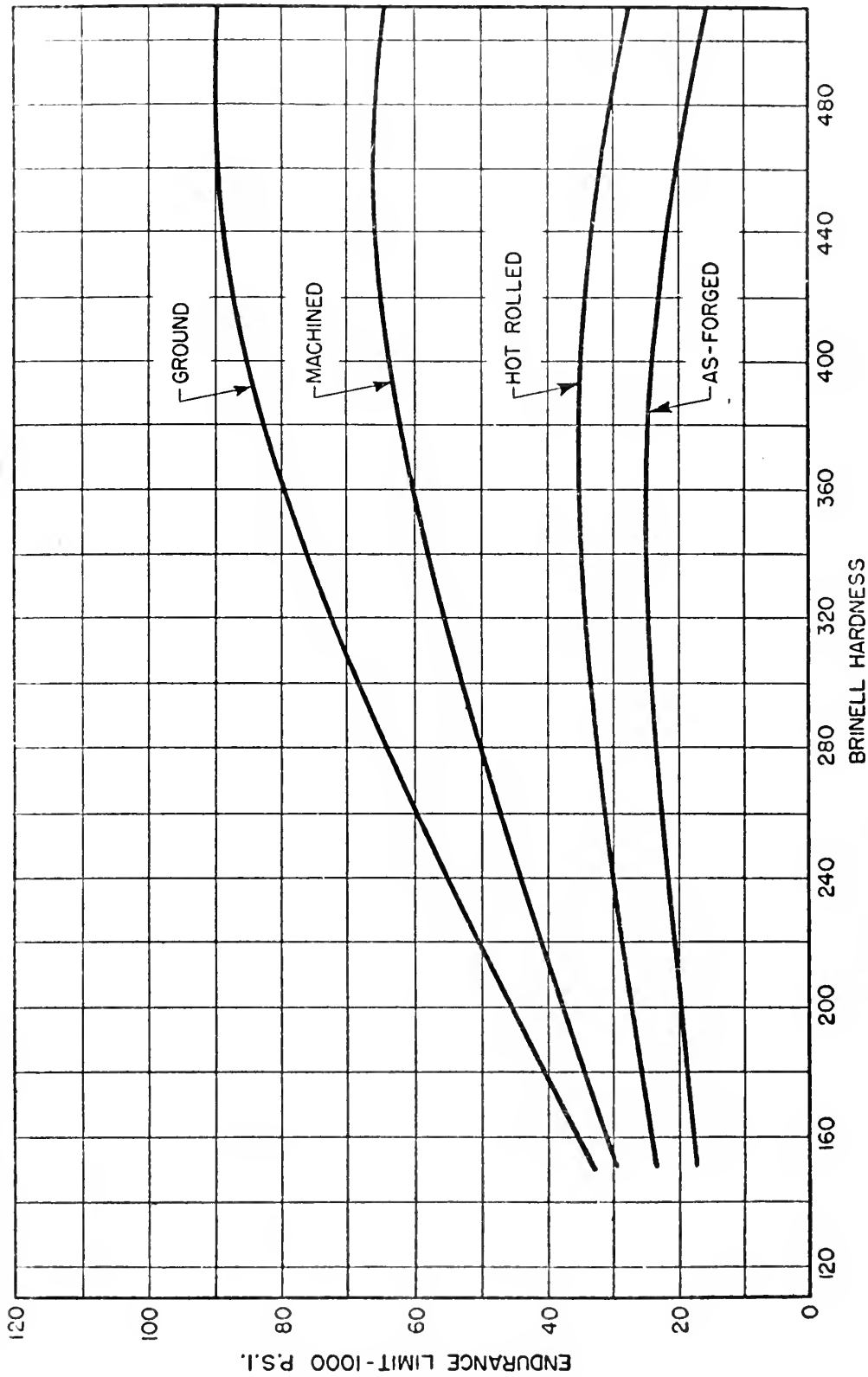


FIG. 76. Relationship between hardness and strength for fatigue loading.



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### PART III

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The most commonly used methods of cold working are cold rolling, stretching, and shot peening. The effect of all three of these processes appears to be an increase in the fatigue limit of materials. The amount of increase is usually a function of the condition of the surface before the process is applied. A variety of results has been obtained for the effect of cold stretching on the fatigue limit for non-ferrous metals. Tests (3) of brass and copper rod in which there is a reduction of area of 55% in a single pass of the cold drawing process showed no increase in fatigue limit over the limit of the same metal hot rolled. Tests of nickel and of other non-ferrous metals subjected to less drastic reduction, than that mentioned above, showed an appreciable increase in fatigue limit over the same metal annealed. For detailed data on non-ferrous metals, references such as Moore and Kommers (3) or Metals Handbook may be consulted.

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CHAPTER VI  
ILLUSTRATIVE PROBLEMS

In order to illustrate the use of the suggested concepts for the design of rotating circular shafts for cases (a) and (b), a group of problems is presented in which the diameter ( $d$ ) is the desired quantity. The loading will be restricted to pure bending and torque. The distortion energy theory of failure will be used throughout since it was suggested in Chapter IV that it more accurately predicts failure when shafting is subjected to combined fatigue stress. The material is assumed to be a S.A.E. 1035 steel which has been quenched in water at 1525-1575°F with a Brinell hardness of 212. Since accurate data for yield point stress  $\sigma_{yp}$  and endurance limit  $\sigma_e$  is not known, values are taken from reference (9) ( $\sigma_{yp} = 69000 \text{ psi}$ ,  $\sigma_e = 37000 \text{ psi}$ ). To show the effect of stress concentration, a profile keyway is considered. The values used for fatigue stress concentration factors are those given in reference (9). In each problem, the safety factor ( $n$ ) is considered to be 2.5. The rotating shaft is shown diagrammatically in Figure 7.

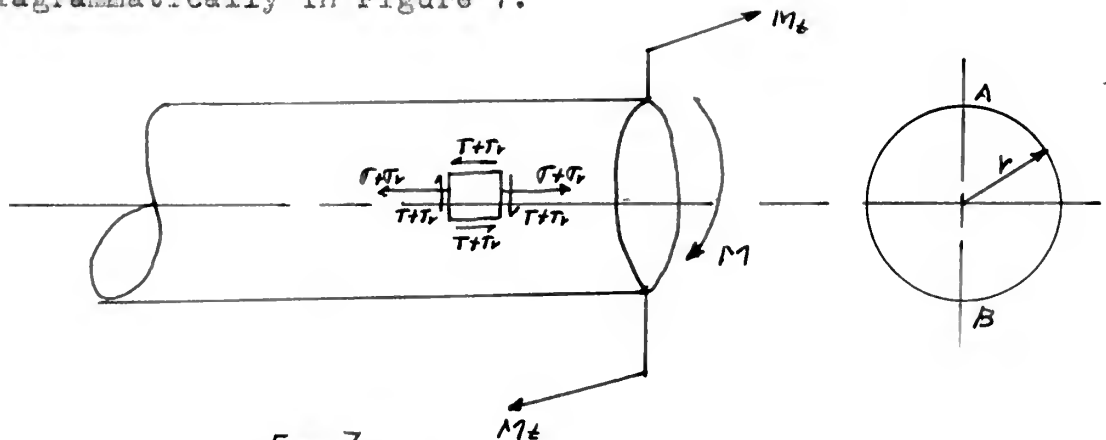
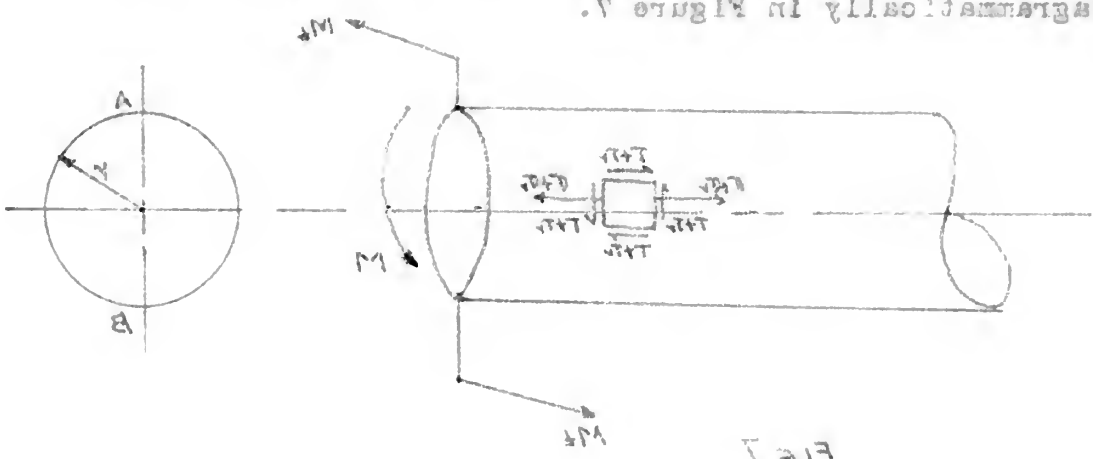


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Let the value of bending moment vary from a maximum,  $M' = 12000 \text{ lb in}$ , to a minimum,  $M'' = 8000 \text{ lb in}$ , while the torque remains constant,  $M_t = 6000 \text{ lb in}$

The normal stress produced by the moment  $M$  will vary as the shaft rotates, and as  $M$  changes from a maximum,  $M'r/I$  (point A, Figure 7), to a minimum,  $-M'r/I$  (Point B, Figure 7). The values of maximum and mean normal stresses are:

$$\sigma + \sigma_v = \frac{32 M'}{\pi d^3} = \frac{12.25 \times 10^4 \text{ psi}}{d^3}, \quad \sigma_v = 0$$

The shear stress produced by the torque remains constant; thus, the maximum and mean values of stress are:

$$\tau + \tau_v = \tau = \frac{16 M_t}{\pi d^3} = \frac{3.06 \times 10^4}{d^3}$$

Since the criteria of failure is:

$$\sigma_w = \frac{\sigma_e}{n} = \sqrt{(\sigma + \sigma_v)^2 + 3\tau^2} - (1 - \sigma_e/\sigma_{yp}) \sqrt{3\tau^2}$$

substituting the values given above into this expression, the diameter is determined to be

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$$0 = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{q \times 2 \times 2 \pi r \cdot h}{2} = \frac{MGE}{ab\pi} = V + V$$

thus, the maximum and mean values of stress are:

$$\frac{F \times d \cdot E}{E_0} = \frac{1.1 \times 10^3}{8.85 \times 10^{-12}} = T = \sqrt{T} + T$$

Since the criteria of failure is:

$$\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{x^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{x}$$

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ROTATING CIRCULAR SHAFT SUBJECT TO FLUCTUATING PURE BENDING  
AND STATIC TORQUE WITH A PROFILED KEYWAY

Let the bending moment and torque remain the same as the previous problem. As a result, the only change in stress is that the maximum normal stress (same as the variable component as  $\sigma = \sigma$ ) becomes  $\sigma + K_b \sigma_r$ . This follows the concept developed in Chapter V, that is, the fatigue stress concentration factor is applied only to the variable stress. The value of  $K_b$  (fatigue stress concentration for pure bending) from reference (9) is 2.0.

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ROTATING CIRCULAR SHAFTS SUBJECTED TO A COMBINATION OF PURE BENDING  
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Let the value of bending moment vary from a maximum  $M' = 12000 \text{ lb in}$ , to a minimum,  $M'' = 8000 \text{ lb in}$ , while the torque varies from a maximum,  $M_t = 6000 \text{ lb in}$ , to a minimum,  $M_t'' = 4000 \text{ lb in}$

The normal stress produced by the varying moment will remain the same as for the first two problems, namely:

$$\sigma + \sigma_v = \frac{32 M'}{\pi d^3} = \frac{12.25 \times 10^4}{d^3} \text{ lb/in}^2, \quad \sigma = 0$$

The shearing stress imposed by the torque will vary as the torque changes. The maximum mean and variable values of shear stress are:

$$T + T_v = \frac{16 M_t'}{\pi d^3} = \frac{3.06 \times 10^4}{d^3}, \quad T = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} \left( \frac{M_t' + M_t''}{2} \right) = \frac{2.55 \times 10^4}{d^3}$$

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$$D_m = \frac{D}{b} = \sqrt{\frac{(T+T_v)^2 + 3(T+T_v)^2}{(1 - \nu)(W_f)^2}} \sqrt{3T_v}$$

Since the criteria of failure is:

$$T_v = \frac{12}{\pi b^3} \left( \frac{W_f - W_v}{2} \right) = .21 \times 10^6$$

$$T + T_v = \frac{12 W_f}{\pi b^3} = \frac{3.06 \times 10^6}{b^3} \quad T = \frac{12}{\pi b^3} \left( \frac{W_f + W_v}{2} \right) = \frac{2.22 \times 10^6}{b^3}$$

stress are:

torque changes. The maximum mean and variable values of shear

The shearing stress imposed by the torque will vary as the

$$\tau + \tau_v = \frac{32 M'}{\pi d^3} = \frac{12.22 \times 10^6}{b^3} \quad \tau = 0$$

main the same as for the first two problems, namely:

The normal stress produced by the varying moment will re-

varies from a maximum,  $M_v = 2000 \text{ lb-in}$ , to a minimum,  $M_f = 4000 \text{ lb-in}$   
 to a minimum,  $M_v = 8000 \text{ lb-in}$ , while the torque

Let the value of  $b$  and moment vary from a maximum

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The conditions of loading are considered to remain the same as in the previous problem. The only changes in stress are that the maximum normal stress (same as the variable stress as  $\sigma = 0$ ) becomes  $\sigma + K_b \sigma_v$  and the maximum shear stress becomes  $\tau + K_s \tau_v$ . The application of the fatigue stress concentration factor follows the concept developed in Chapter V, fatigue stress concentration factor is applied only to the variable stress. The values of  $K_b$  (fatigue stress concentration factor for pure bending) and  $K_s$  (fatigue stress concentration factor for applied torque) are, from reference (9), 2.0 and 1.6 respectively.

Since the criteria of failure is:

$$\sigma_w = \frac{\sigma_e}{n} = \sqrt{(\sigma + K_b \sigma_v)^2 + 3(\tau + K_s \tau_v)^2} - (1 - \sigma_e / \sigma_{yp}) \sqrt{3} \tau_v$$

substituting the values given into this expression, the diameter is determined to be  $d = 3.0$ .

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$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \left[ (V+K_1V)^2 + (V+K_2V)^2 \right]} = \frac{S}{F}$$

substituting the values given into this expression, the diameter is determined to be  $d = 3.0$ .  
 Note due stress concentration the diameter has increased 60% as compared to the previous problem.

Since the diameter is 3.0, the stress is

$$\sigma = \frac{16 T}{\pi d^3} = \frac{16 (1000)}{\pi (3)^3} = 127 \text{ psi}$$

substituting the values of  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  into the expression

## CHAPTER VII

### CONCLUSIONS

Since to date, no exact solution is known for determining the failure of machine components subjected to fatigue stress, it is the author's opinion that the distortion energy theory gives the best approximation for varying tension, compression, and shear loads in phase.

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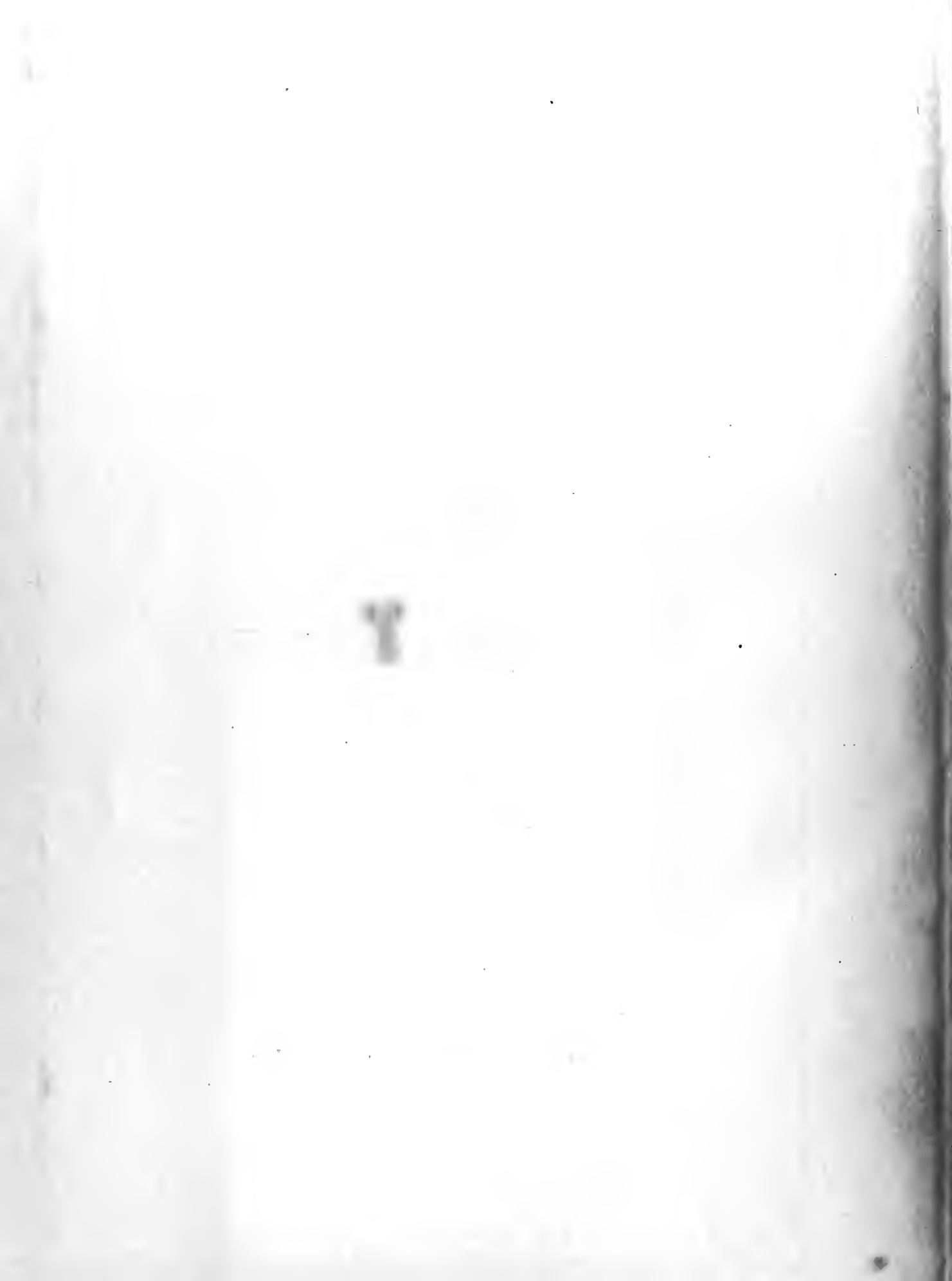
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